

Call To Order

The regular council meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. by Mayor Frith. Councilors Bottorff and Thompson were present. Councilor Arnold arrived at 6:10 p.m. and Vice Mayor Crawford arrived at 6:40 p.m. Staff present: City Administrator Pete Carr, City Attorney Greg Einhorn, City Planner Scott Friend, Engineering Staff Mike Vasquez and City Clerk Roben Dewsnap.

1. **COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION:** None
2. **PRESENTATION:** Mayor Frith presented Robert Miller, Carol Ciccone and Angela Thompson of the Hometown Celebration Committee with a certificate of appreciation.
3. **SPECIAL BUSINESS:** City Administrator Pete Carr stated the Biggs Unified School District was unable to continue funding the School Resource Officer (SRO) at all and K-9 crime prevention fully. He proposed the city provide funding in the amount of \$15,000 for the SRO and \$1500 for the K-9 prevention for this school year only.

Councilor Arnold arrived at 6:10 p.m.

Butte County Resident Robert Miller spoke in favor of having a K-9 unit at the school

Assistant Police Chief Dean Price said the SRO would be a benefit to the school.

Mayor Frith stated Vice Mayor Crawford, who was not present, questioned if the cost would be integrated into a forward moving expanded Biggs-Gridley contract for further years.

Chief Price stated whatever income sources had been used goes into the same pool of money. This could be incorporated within the entire contract not as a second piece as it is now. He would ask that the police department determine how the resources be used.

Councilor Bottorff and Thompson agreed with funding the SRO and K-9 unit this year.

Motion/Second to accept the recommendation regarding the Police Resource Officer and the K-9 unit to be paid at \$1375 monthly on a month to month basis. (Frith/Bottorff, MCU; Absent: Crawford)

4. **CONSENT CALENDAR:** Mr. Carr asked to pull item G for discussion.

Mr. Carr stated item 3 on page 32 should say "buyer shall have twenty days from the opening of escrow".

Motion/Second to approve item G with the corrections. (Thompson/Bottorff, MCU; Absent: Crawford)

Motion/Second to approve the consent calendar with the corrections stated excluding item G. (Thompson/Bottorff, MCU; Absent: Crawford)

- A. Approval of Council Minutes for Special Meeting of June 14, 2010.
- B. Approval of warrants: #24513 - 24559; #7697 - #7723; Z00308 - Z00325 for month of June 2010 in the amount of \$276,118.35.
- C. Acknowledge receipt of Finance and Budget Update Report. Approve revised budget as presented.

- D. Acknowledge receipt of Police Department Report for June 2010.
- E. Acknowledge receipt of Gridley-Biggs Animal Control Officer Report for June 2010.
- F. Acknowledge receipt of Biggs Fire Department Report for June 2010.
- G. Approve draft sales contract of Real Estate Transaction – Parcel 001-081-014-000, 2984 Seventh Street.

5. DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

A. Engineering:

- 1. Public Hearing: Waste Water Treatment Plant Alternatives Study Product Acceptance Resolution.

Public Hearing Procedures:

- a. Staff comments. Engineering Staff Mike Vasquez said this public hearing was meant to accept by resolution the Waste Water Treatment Plant Planning Alternatives Study prepared by Psomas with funding through the CDBG Planning Technical Assistance grant 07-PTAG-3647.
- b. Mayor Frith opened the hearing to the public.
 - 1. Proponents. None
 - 2. Opponents. None
- c. Mayor Frith closed the hearing to the public.
- d. Council discussion.

Resolution No. 2010-22 “A RESOLUTUION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BIGGS APPROVING A PLANNING ALTERNATIVES STUDY PREPARED BY PSOMAS FOR THE CITY OF BIGGS WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT.” (Frith/Bottorff, MCU; Absent: Crawford)

- 2. Mr. Vasquez presented the Engineer’s Activity Report.
- 3. Mr. Vasquez stated the 2010 9th Cycle Safe Routes to School (SR2S) Grant Application was submitted to the State.
- 4. Project Updates:
 - a. USDA Sewer Line Repair Project.
 - b. City of Biggs Roadway Rehabilitation Project
 - c. Hydro-Pneumatic Tank Project. Mr. Vasquez stated the tank was still on schedule for the end of July or the first of August. After July 21st, there will be a fine of \$100 a day in liquidated damages for not being on schedule.
 - d. 6th Street Bridge Rehabilitation. Mr. Vasquez stated PMC was working on a Preliminary Environmental Study. City Planner Scott Friend said the study was not complete.

Vice Mayor Crawford arrived at 6:40 p.m.

- e. Crosswalk Project – Phase 1. The project would be started the first week of August.
- f. The Biggs Community Hall Funding Application was moving slower than expected. A new appraiser would be hired.
- g. The WWTP Funding Application was also moving slower than expected.

5. Sewer Line Repair Project – Trench Paving Repairs. Mr. Vasquez stated the contractor would repair the bump on B Street without any issue. There was an existing condition on Second Street which made it impossible to patch the new paving with the existing paving. A 12' x 75' section would need to be replaced in order to make this transition right. The contractor's price to make this correction was \$5,900. Mr. Vasquez was asking council's approval to authorize the contractor to do this work.

Councilor Bottorff asked why grinding could not be used to correct the problem. Mr. Vasquez would not recommend grinding alone. Mr. Carr stated it exposes the aggregate to wear sooner.

Mr. Vasquez was recommending grinding the whole area down and then repaving the area.

Council discussed who should pay for the repaving and felt the cost should be charged to the sewer line contingency fund.

6. West Biggs Gridley Road Project – Transition Repairs

Mr. Vasquez drew a diagram on the whiteboard showing the transition repair on West Biggs Gridley Road. There were some parts of the repair the contractor was willing to do at no cost to the city but warned this may still not be satisfactory to the City due to unsuitable existing paving conditions. Existing asphalt was failing just south of the transition, causing a depression, which promotes a rougher transition. This roadway failure was outside of the 1-year warranty as required in the contract with the previous contractor, and any further repair to the failing pavement would be at an additional cost.

The contractor had provided a cost estimate to make this additional repair in addition to the work he would be performing at his expense. Repairing the failing asphalt would include a complete reconstruction of an approximately 12' x 20' portion of road and installing 4" of asphalt over 16" of aggregate base. Additional grinding and repaving would then take place to conform to existing asphalt. The quote from the contractor was \$11,700 less the grinding cost.

Mr. Carr stated this would be charged to the street paving fund.

Motion/Second to complete the contracting on West Biggs Gridley Road as described with the adjustments appropriate for reducing that cost and moving those costs to the other project and authorize up to \$11,700. (Crawford/Bottorff, MCU)

B. Planning:

1. Informational: City Planner Scott Friend reviewed the Department Activity Report – June 2010 / July 2010 included in the agenda packet. In addition, he received the plans for the ADA improvements to the library. He will be working with the engineer to validate grades in the parking lot.

Rezoning had begun on the city owned property that is currently being sold.

2. General Plan Update and Maintenance Fee Study. Mr. Friend stated this was a study to adopt a fee so the city can begin to recoup its costs for the update and maintenance of the general plan.

3. The Code Enforcement Activity Report for June 2010 - Report was presented to council in the agenda packet. Mr. Friend informed council the Code Enforcement Officer was currently working on code enforcement municipal code amendments.

Vice Mayor Crawford stated he would like to see what violations are still not being acted on. He suggested the coded enforcement officer inspect the whole town every week.

- C. Public Safety. Mayor Frith and Mr. Carr met with Assistant Police Chief Price today.
- D. Flood Control. Councilor Bottorff stated the flood control assessment passed with 71% saying yes. Biggs is still in the Zone X-Shaded, non-hazard flood designation.
- E. Public Works. Mr. Carr was pleased with the ADA ramp modifications.
- F. Electric. Mayor Frith attended the ground-breaking in Lodi last week for the new Lodi Energy Center Power Plant.
- G. BCAG/Air Quality. Councilor Thompson said new changes had been discussed for burn regulations and burn hours at the Air Quality meeting.
- H. Solid Waste. Mr. Carr had contacts with Ameresco for purchasing power generated from the landfill.
- I. Other commission reports. None
- J. City Administrator.
 1. Mr. Carr reviewed the staff report titled "City Policy for Community Hall Rental" and asked council for input. There is a standard rental charge of \$100. He was seeking guidance as to those organizations that would be exempt from this fee. Council would consider the staff report and respond to Mr. Carr.
 2. Mr. Carr reported on the Solid Waste Collection Update and asked for council input. Waste Management proposed having an annual cleanup day in the fall and also providing a voucher in the spring for residents to take items to the transfer station. Waste Management could also provide extra carts for recycling and yard waste at no extra charge. The carts would be stored at the public works yard and public works employees could distribute as needed. There was also the option for the city to do all of the billing, even for the larger size trash carts.

Mr. Carr was advised to continue his dialog with Waste Management.

6. **INFORMATIONAL:** Mayor Frith reported on work completed in the city by a youth group from the LDS Church, and he encouraged further volunteerism in the community.

Mayor Frith said Gridley's mayor invited Biggs to their National Night Out.

There were some residents that would like to donate to the Hometown Celebration through their utility billing. Staff should report on possible logistics for this.

7. **ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting adjourned by mutual consent at 9:13 p.m.

ATTEST:

Roben Dewsnup

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CITY CLERK

APPROVED:

Roger L. Frith

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MAYOR